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Sal Venticinque Bureau of Land Management Grand Resource Area 82 East Dogwood Avenue Moab, Utah 84532

Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Lilim Claims Project, Re:

S/037/092, (BLM UTU-72505) San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Venticinque:

Thank you for forwarding the BLM Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations for Dick Shumway's, Lilim Claims Project, located in the southern half of Section 1, T30S, R24E, San Juan County, Utah. The Division received this information on March 6, 1996. The proposed project is a surface mine using conventional drilling and blasting to extract the limestone ore.

The Division has evaluated the above mentioned Notice under the Small Mining Operation section of our Rules. The Notice satisfies the requirements of Rule R647-3 of the 1988 Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Minerals Rules, and Title 40-8, et seq., of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975.

We have also received a copy of the BLM's February 29, 1996 letter to Mr. Shumway. It is understood from your letter that the BLM has accepted this notice and has given archaeological clearance to mine within a 1.5 acre area. The letter discussed the issue of salable material (common variety) versus locatable material (uncommon variety) for this limestone deposit. If the limestone is determined to be "common variety" then the operator may be responsible to the United States for the value of this material, damage to the land, and administrative costs of recovering such compensation.

It is understood that the Division will notify your office of any permitting concerns we may have, and in turn, your office, acting as "Lead Agency" will notify the operator accordingly. Please find enclosed page three of our Small Mining Operation Notice of Intention form titled "IV. Operation and Reclamation Practices." By accepting this Notice, the Division expects the operator to comply with the practices listed on this page. If the operator cannot comply with these practices, then a variance request must be provided to the Division.



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This request would include the particular practice which the operator cannot comply with and an explanation describing the reasons why they cannot comply. A variance request is not required for the practices which refer to features which are nonexistent at the project site.

If you receive additional information or amendments for this operation, please notify us so we can update our files. Please reference our designated file number S/037/092 when forwarding additional information on this project. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Gallegos

Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Enclosure: page 3 of SMO-NOI cc: Roger L. Bon, UGS

Dick Shumway, Operator w/enclosure

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